GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4150
ANSWERED ON:14.12.2001
STRIKE IN HINDUSTAN CABLES LIMITED
AJAY CHAKRABORTY;PRABODH PANDA

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the employees and officers in all the units of the Hindustan Cables Limited hadgone on strike for 24 hours on 26 and 27 July, 2001; and

(b) if so, the demands raised and the steps taken to solve their grievances?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a): Yes, Sir. The employees & officers of HCL observed one day strike on 26th July, 2001.

(b): The strike was to protest against the decision of the Government to disinvest in HCL.HCL is a non-strategic PSU and disinvestme has to be undertaken in accordance with the Government policy announced and debated in Parliament. To satisfy employees` concerns, the management has been holding discussions and also giving written communications. A meeting of all union representatives was also convened by the Government in Delhi where the Governmentpolicy and the employees` concerns were explained in detail.